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In re Application of: )  
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Application No.: 10/657,235 ) Examiner: Alexander S. Thomas  
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For: VACUUM INSULATION PANEL AND METHOD

Sir:

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

This is in response to the Office Action dated January 6, 2005 to which a response is due without an extension by February 6, 2005. In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding restriction and allow examination to proceed on all claims pending in the application.

Please reconsider the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 2 of this paper.